CH2M HILL Hanford Group works a million safe hours

CH2M HILL Hanford Group has worked one million hours, or almost four months, continuously without a lost-time injury.

"Every hour that each individual CHG employee works safely is a success," said John Fulton, CHG senior vice president of Environment, Safety, Health and Quality. "Achieving one million hours of safe work as a company shows the strength of our individual commitment to safety."

The work performed by CHG during this period included safe storage of Hanford's radioactive tank waste, upgrading old process pits and building new ones, laying 8,000 feet of waste transfer pipeline, installing a transfer pump in Tank AN-107, concrete core boring in the 244-AR Vault and pumping almost 300,000 gallons of liquid waste out of single-shell tanks.



CH2M HILL Hanford Group prepares to remove the three coverblocks on a transfer pit at Tank AN-106. This work, part of the efforts to upgrade pits so that waste can be retrieved from the tanks and delivered to the planned vitrification plant, is one of the many jobs CHG performed without a lost-time injury.

"Safety is a vital component of the River Protection Project, not only keeping the river and its surrounding communities safe but also keeping ourselves and our co-workers safe each workday," said Ed Aromi, CHG acting president. "I am pleased to congratulate all CH2M HILL Hanford Group employees and subcontractors on achieving this million-hour milestone, and I look forward to all of us extending that record as the days and months go by." •